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## A. ORGANIZATION AND MILITARY TRANSPORTATION

Organizational Breakdown of CGF Transportation Section

## a. Water Transport

- Up to 1953, the Soviet Navy kept a contingent of unknown size in Vienna. Personnel of this contingent worked on an unknown type of shipping on the Danube River. Replacements for naval personnel did not come through Chop (N 48-25, E 22-11) as did army replacements, but, instead, came through the town of Izmail (N 45-21, E 28-46). On leave Soviet naval personnel used Chop as an entry and exit point.

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## b. Rail Transport

- [REDACTED] most of the rail transport used by CGF was Soviet property; for example, the Austrian-made flat cars used [REDACTED] for repair and rebuild purposes were the property of the USSR. [REDACTED] it was possible that some of the military transport used in CGF was Austrian.
- [REDACTED] the Administration of Soviet Property in Austria (USIA-Upravleniye Sovetskogo Imushchestva V Avstrii) controlled all Soviet rail traffic in Austria.

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## B. RAIL MOVEMENT

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### Car-Loading Practices

7. Soviet tanks in Austria were normally side-loaded at railroad stations and end-loaded only when there were special conditions requiring loading in open fields. [redacted] a T-34 tank side-loaded in Mannersdorf (N 48-23, E 16-50) directly from a concrete railroad platform to a wooden flatcar that was level with the platform. The tank drove onto the flatcar from the side, turned on the top of the flatcar, and nearly wrecked it in the process.

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8. T-34 tanks were loaded [redacted] onto small, two-axle Austrian flatcars. [redacted] there was never more than one tank to a flatcar. The tanks [redacted] were put on the Austrian-made flatcars facing the front end of the train with their turrets turned so that the muzzles of the tank guns pointed to the rear.

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### Loading Stations <sup>1</sup>

### Transloading Points

10. [redacted] one transloading point. [redacted] was located at Chop. [redacted] military goods were transferred to and from USSR trains possibly by Soviet border guard personnel or labor units. In the vicinity of Chop there were many tracks of both gauges which ran side-by-side into a large railroad yard and which were used for the transfer of goods.

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## C. MOTOR TRANSPORT

11. [redacted] Soviet Army units usually used motor transport only for short-distance moves up to 40 km. For long distance moves, railroads were used. [redacted] because the 13th Mecz. Div. was mechanized, it theoretically had sufficient vehicles to entirely move itself by motor transport; however, [redacted] up to 60 percent of the division's motor vehicles were of World War II vintage [redacted] were old and worn-out and [redacted] any long-distance movement with these vehicles would not be practical.

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12. [redacted] motor convoys when the 13th Gds. Mecz. Div. Auto School took its students out for practice motor marches. These convoys usually were made up of various trucks, such as, Fords, Studebakers, and ZIS-5's. [redacted] the distance in convoys between trucks varied for different speeds and loads; the convoys which traveled 35-40 km. per hour had about a 50 m. distance between trucks and carried only personnel. [redacted] each division had squads out to stop vehicles and check drivers for proper documentation. 25X1

D. WATER TRANSPORT

13. See paragraph 1.

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